

## College Planning Guide

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Checklist: *When do I do what?*

#### September:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Register for the October ACT and/or the SAT (*it is highly recommended to take your College Admissions Exam more than once*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Register with the **NCAA Clearinghouse** (*if you plan to play Division I or II sports*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Research Colleges / Schedule college campus visits (virtual tours)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Research and apply for scholarships (*check your 2021 Google Classroom for local and national scholarship notifications, and conduct a scholarship search on Naviance*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Register for the FAFSA Information Meeting on October 1<sup>st</sup> (link below)  
<https://admissions.catalyst.uc.edu/register/?id=4802e245-00f1-43e5-9c1a-c74f22f3ae9b>

#### October:

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Begin applying to your choice college(s) and two “back up” schools** (*be aware of early application deadlines, competitive programs often have a November 1<sup>st</sup> deadline*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ FAFSA Opens October 1st
- \_\_\_\_\_ Research and apply for scholarships
- \_\_\_\_\_ Make college campus visits (register for these visits on the college’s website)

#### November:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Submit all additional material to each college:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Transcript (requests must be sent through Naviance)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary School Report or Counselor Verification Form (if applicable)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Essay (if applicable)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Letters of Recommendation (if applicable)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Application Fee
- \_\_\_\_\_ Continue to research and apply for scholarships
- \_\_\_\_\_ Make college campus visits

#### December - January:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Continue to research and apply for scholarships

#### February:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Update FAFSA documents with new 2020 tax information
- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete local scholarship packet (available on your 2021 Google Classroom Page)

#### April:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Submit all scholarship letters to Mrs. Hunt for our Senior Awards Ceremony
- \_\_\_\_\_ Review Financial Aid package, determine what you will be using, and complete **all** paperwork (including housing confirmation and your deposit)

#### May:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete Final Transcript Request form and submit to Mrs. Hunt